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Quarterly Tribal Gaming Contributions to Arizona Rose 15.4 Percent

PHOENIX — Tribal contributions from gaming revenue to the state of Arizona rose 15.4 percent in the second quarter of fiscal 2007 from the same period a year ago, the Arizona Department of Gaming announced today.

The tribes' combined contributions for the quarter ended September 30, 2006 was \$26,340,406, compared to \$22,818,817 in the second quarter a year ago.

Under the Arizona Tribal-State Gaming Compact, tribes in Arizona that operate casinos contribute one to eight percent of their Class III net wins to education, healthcare and other programs that benefit Arizona residents. Tribes send their contributions to the Arizona Benefits Fund every three months.

There are 22 American Indian Class III casinos in Arizona. Class III gaming includes jackpot poker, slot machines, blackjack, keno and off-track pari-mutuel betting. Net win is the difference between a casino's gaming wins and losses, before deducting casino operating costs and expenses.

Here is how the quarterly contributions were distributed in the Arizona Benefits Fund:

TOTAL tribal contributions for second quarter fiscal 2007	\$26,340,406
Instructional Improvement Fund/Education:	\$13,335,615
Trauma and Emergency Services Fund:	\$ 6,667,807
Administrative and regulatory expenses (Arizona Department of Gaming):	\$ 2,000,000
Arizona Wildlife Conservation Fund:	\$ 1,905,087
State Tourism Fund:	\$ 1,905,087
Problem Gambling Education, Treatment and Prevention:	\$ 526,808

The Department of Gaming, in partnership with Arizona's tribes, oversees Indian gaming in the state. The Department's tasks range from unannounced inspections of slot machines to background checks of casino employees and vendors.

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